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City of Guthrie, Kentucky

Resolution No. 11-01

ELAINE N. WALKER
SECRETARY OF STATE
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GUTHRIE, KENTUCKY STATING THAT BASED ON THE POPULATION AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS OF THE CITY, THE CITY OF GUTHRIE, BY AND THROUGH ITS MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL SEEKS TO BE RECLASSIFIED AS A CITY OF THE FOURTH CLASS.

WHEREAS, the City of Guthrie has substantially obtained the population requirements as established by Section 156 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (now repealed);

WHEREAS, the City of Guthrie has substantially increased its population since the 2000 census;

WHEREAS, the City of Guthrie is located approximately two miles from the site of the new Hemlock Semiconductor facility, and is therefore presented with unprecedented opportunities for economic development, and population and job growth;

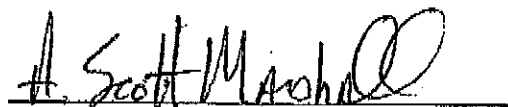
WHEREAS, the present classification of Guthrie as a city of the fifth class does not provide a suitable framework for continued growth and development of the City,

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the forgoing premises, the City of Guthrie hereby resolves as follows:

SECTION 1. In consideration of the present economic opportunities available to the City of Guthrie and based on the population therein, the City of Guthrie seeks to be reclassified as a City of the Fourth Class, and does hereby authorize and direct the Mayor, City Clerk and City Attorney to take such steps as may be necessary to effect such reclassification.

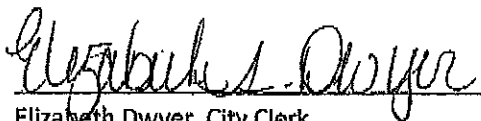
SECTION 2. The foregoing RESOLUTION was read, passed and adopted by the City Council of Guthrie, Todd County, Kentucky in a duly advertised public meeting held on the 11th day of January, 2011, and was thereafter approved by the Mayor.

Approved:



A. Scott Marshall, Mayor

Attest:



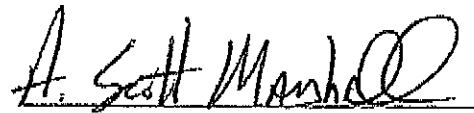
Elizabeth Dwyer, City Clerk

STATEMENT OF MAYOR AND CLERK**City of Guthrie, Kentucky****January 11, 2011**

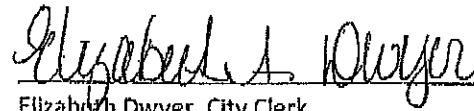
COME NOW, Scott Marshall, Mayor and Elizabeth Dwyer, City Clerk, City of Guthrie, who make the following statement regarding their good faith estimate of the population of the city, based on their experience, knowledge and belief.

1. The 2000 census report for the city of Guthrie, Todd County, Kentucky showed a population at that time of 1,584.
2. The 2000 census is believed to have underrepresented the true population of the city of Guthrie substantially.
3. The 2000 census should have reported a population of approximately 2,000.
4. Since the 2000 census, there has been considerable growth in the city of Guthrie. To wit: additional areas have been annexed into the city, several new houses have been constructed, and several once-vacant houses have been remodeled and occupied.
5. School records show a substantial increase in enrollment, necessitating expansion of the schools serving Guthrie in the near future.
6. Increases in the number of utility connections point to ongoing growth in Guthrie.
7. In early 2009, Hemlock Semiconductor, Inc., a subsidiary of Dow Corning, announced their plans to build a \$2 billion facility to manufacture polycrystalline silicon (the key component in the production of solar panels) in northern Montgomery County, Tennessee. This facility is currently in the early stages of construction, and will employ over 1,000 persons when completed in 2012. Additional subsidiary industries, contractors and suppliers will be locating near the facility employing thousands more.
8. The Hemlock site is approximately 2 miles from the Guthrie city limits.
9. Since the Hemlock announcement, there has been considerable development activity in Guthrie. A new convenience store, Subway restaurant and gas station are currently under construction. A local bank has expanded as have several other businesses in Guthrie and the surrounding area.
10. Plans are under way for a motel, several restaurants, retail and commercial space in Guthrie.
11. Four new employers, Dilling Mechanical, Inc., Hovey Electric, Midwest Sales and Lake Painting, all Hemlock-related businesses, have opened facilities in Guthrie that will employ over 200 persons.
12. Guthrie and the Todd County Industrial Foundation are developing Patriot Park, a light industrial business park intended for Hemlock's contractors and suppliers. Dilling is located in the park, a speculative building is under construction, and others are actively negotiating for sites.
13. Guthrie has two large industrial sites available for Hemlock co-locators (the industries such as Sharp, Bosch, Mitsubishi, etc. that use Hemlock's products in the production of solar panels). Both sites have received initial visits from co-locators.

14. The fifth class city framework does not adequately address the City of Guthrie's needs for economic development and revenue generation, which in turn inhibits our ability to provide needed services to our current and future residents. A reassignment to fourth class status will correct these deficiencies.
15. For the reasons stated above, we believe that the City of Guthrie has achieved, or will soon achieve a population in excess of 3,000, and that a strong public purpose exists for reclassification, and therefore Guthrie should be reclassified as a city of the fourth class.



A. Scott Marshall, Mayor



Elizabeth Dwyer, City Clerk